## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the (X) utility, () design, () plant patent application of:

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FOR: FILM FORMING METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

Enclosed are:

- (X) 56 pages of specification
- (X) Abstract
- (X) Oath or Declaration
- (X) Power of Attorney
- 18 Sheets of (X) formal () informal drawings
- (X) An assignment of the application to: CANON SALES CO., INC. and SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESS LABORATORY CO., LTD.
- (X) Preliminary Amendment
- () Information Disclosure Statement
- () Change of Address
- X) Assignment Cover Sheet
- () Petition to Make Special Under 37 CFR 1.102(c)
- () Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status

| Basic Fee              | Number Filed | Number Extra | Large Entity | Small Entity | Amount    |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| Utility                | XXX          | XXX          | \$ 710.00    | \$ 355.00    | \$ 710.00 |
| Design                 | XXX          | XXX          | \$ 310.00    | \$ 155.00    |           |
| Plant                  | XXX          | XXX          | \$ 480.00    | \$ 240.00    |           |
| Total                  | 18- 20 =     | 0            | x \$18.00    | X \$9.00     |           |
| Independent<br>Claims  | 3 -3 =       | 0            | x \$80.00    | x \$ 40.00   |           |
| Multiple Dependency    |              |              | \$ 260.00    | \$ 130.00    |           |
| Late Fee Surcharge     |              |              | \$ 130.00    | \$ 65.00     |           |
| Assignment Recordation |              |              | \$ 40.00     |              | 40.00     |
| TOTAL FEI              | $\Xi$        |              |              |              | \$ 750.00 |

- () A check in the amount of \$ .00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- (X) A credit card payment form for the \$750.00 fee is enclosed herewith.
- () Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of
- ( ) This application is filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53, and does not include:
  - () Oath or Declaration
  - () Filing Fee
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2174. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
  - (X) Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
  - $(X\ )$  Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
  - ( ) The Issue Fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).

(X) Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following:

| Serial No.  | Country | <u>Date</u> |
|-------------|---------|-------------|
| 2000-221379 | Japan   | 21/07/2000  |
| 2000-281263 | Japan   | 18/09/2000  |

- (X) Certified copies enclosed.
- () Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e) based on the following U.S. Provisional Application:

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## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGE

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The examiner's approval of the change to Fig. 16, indicated in red on the attached, is

respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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